

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: EK

Group Art Unit: 3733

Serial No.: 10/760,965

Examiner: PHILOGENE, Pedro

Filed: January 20, 2004

Docket: STD00.01CIP2CON

Customer No.: 32047

Confirmation No.: 1498

For: **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR JOINT RESURFACE REPAIR**

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.111

This is in response to the Official Action mailed October 31, 2006. In the Official of October 31, 2006, the Examiner indicated that Applicants' Amendment filed October 25, 2006 was non-compliant because it was unsigned, and provided a one-month time period for Applicants to supply a signed supplemental amendment. The present Supplemental Amendment is being filed within the one-month time period for response set in the action of October 31, 2006, and is identical to Applicants' Amendment of October 25, 2006 except for inclusion of an appropriate signature. Applicants believe that no additional extension of time is required. However, Applicants conditionally petition for an extension of time to provide for the possibility that the need for such a petition has been inadvertently overlooked. As provided below, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-2121 for any required fee.

Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.